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Elizabeth Ortiz, Executive Director
Arizona Prosecution Attorney's Advisory Council
3838 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85012
Phoenix, AZ 85012

Re: The Pinal County Attorney's Office Annual Report on the Adult Deferred Prosecution Program, Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Dear Ms. Ortiz:

Pursuant to A.R.S. §11-362, this report is submitted regarding the Pinal County Attorney's Office Adult Deferred Prosecution (ADP) program.

Pinal County Attorney's Office defers prosecution in cases where low risk defendants, who have been charged with non-violent crimes, participate in the ADP program.

Defendants that participate in the ADP program complete community service, pay restitution if required, report to counselors, and attend counseling sessions, if necessary. Defendants who successfully complete all requirements of the program will have their charges dismissed.

The individuals participating in the program during the fiscal year July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 are as follows:

PACO Diversion Program Combined FY19 Totals							
Cases Processed	New Referrals	Successful Terminations	Unsuccessful Terminations	Cases Closed	Pending Cases	Success Rate	Recidiv Rate
504	504	382	73	484	3	85%	6%

16 defendants had their cases closed for other reasons. These cases were included in the closure but not in either of the successful/unsuccessful numbers. Reasons for closure are listed below:

- 1 passed away while in diversion
- 6 did not complete intake
- 6 defendants were not eligible for diversion
- 2 defendants were charged for the same incident in municipal court
- 1 defendant refused diversion

*Recidivism Rate refers to the percentage of defendants who were charged with a new offense (not successfully completing diversion).

** Safety rate refers to the percentage of defendants who remained crime free while in the diversion

PCAO Diversion FY19 Year Totals By Program							
Program	Referrals	Active Cases	Drug Offenses	Non Drug Offenses	Successful	Unsuccessful	Success Rate
Felony Diversion	78	39	26	13	55	14	80%
Misdemeanor or Diversion	426	222	79	169	327	59	85%

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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